# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# CULTURE
# LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:203
ANSWERED ON:30.11.2015
Suit to Declare Taj Mahal a Hindu Temple
Senguttuvan Shri Balasubramaniam

**Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:**

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SUIT TO DECLARE TAJ MAHAL A HINDU TEMPLE

203. SHRI B. SENGUTTUVAN:

Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that a certain group of persons have filed a declaratory suit in Agra Court to have the Taj Mahal declared as a Hindu Temple and the right to offer worship in the Taj Mahal;
(b) whether the Government has found any evidence in this regard;
(c) if so, the details thereof along with the stand of the Government on controversy of Taj Mahal on religious ground;
(d) whether controversy on Taj Mahal affects the tourism in the country; and
(e) if so, the details thereof?

## Answer

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE, CULTURE AND TOURISM (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) AND MINISTER OF STATE, CIVIL AVIATION

(DR. MAHESH SHARMA)

(a) Yes, Madam.

(b) No, Madam.

(c) Does not arise.

(d)&(e) No such affect has been observed.

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